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12. A method for the diagnosis of a condition involving apoptosis, said method comprising using a reagent based on the protein as defined by claim 1, an antibody of said protein or a DNA encoding said protein to diagnose a condition involving apoptosis.--

## <u>REMARKS</u>

Entry of the foregoing amendment is respectfully requested.

The claims have been amended to place them in better condition for U.S. patent practice.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the subject application, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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